

# **Aviation**

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## **OVERVIEW**

Our 50 state platform provides predictability, consistency and a single line of responsibility to our clients. We are nationally known for representing aviation clients in complex aviation accident litigation across the country, defending general aviation, airport, commercial airline, charter, unmanned aircraft systems, and tort and products liability claims, both at trial and on appeal. Our experienced nationwide bench also provides an integrated resource to aviation companies for employment, transactional, and regulatory matters.

GRSM represents general and commercial airports, major airlines and business aircraft operators, fixed base operators, ground handling companies, aviation service companies, the manufacturers of aircraft and aircraft components, and aviation insurers. Whether issues and incidents arise on the tarmac or in the cabin, at the terminal or in the C-suite – in any part of the United States or abroad – our nationwide teams have the expertise and experience with the challenges faced to provide practical solutions.

### A TO Z IN AVIATION

We love to fly. Our aviation law attorneys include licensed pilots and some with experience in commercial aviation operations. Collectively, we guide commercial aviation operators and aircraft owners in the



process of purchasing, owning, and operating these substantial assets. We handle labor and employment matters for air carriers, including union arbitrations and defense of Air21 whistleblower claims, discrimination and harassment claims. On the general litigation side, we handle wrongful death and survival actions, product liability and construction defect claims, commercial litigation, ground handling claims, passenger injury claims, commercial disputes, and grounding claims, as well as appellate litigation.

#### **AVIATION INDUSTRY LEADERS**

GRSM keeps clients ahead of regulations and emerging issues through our participation in industry groups. Our attorneys serve as leaders in the ABA TIPS Aviation and Space Law Committee, the DRI Aviation Law Committee and its Judicial Task Force, and the Aviation & Aerospace Special Litigation Group of the DRI Product Liability Committee. Our attorneys also have been recognized for their expertise by independent evaluators such as *Who's Who Legal: Transport – Aviation Contentious*.

We are also proud to be leaders in the EAA's Young Eagles, a group that has provided children with more than 1.5 million flights in private aircraft.